



Docks & Harbors

The Tide Line

May 2022



Docks & Harbors Meetings

All meetings will be held in CBJ Room 224 and via Zoom

Finance Sub-Committee

Wednesday
May 11th
At 5:00 pm

Operations/Planning

Wednesday
May 18th
At 5:00 pm

Finance Sub-Committee

Wednesday
May 25th
At 5:00 pm

Regular Board

Thursday
May 26th
At 5:00 pm

Meetings

agendas and minutes can be found at:

<https://bit.ly/3aRyTAD>

The Port Director's Corner: Every five years, the voting citizens of Juneau are asked whether they wish to support an October referendum to fund capital improvements projects, commonly known as the 1% Sales Tax Initiative. As the name implies, this 1% Sales tax is a temporary tax but voters have routinely approved this program which typically supports Juneau schools, roads, parks, water & waste water, transportation and other amenities within the City & Borough. At the last 1% Sale Tax vote, in 2017, Docks & Harbors was awarded \$1.5M for the next phase of the Aurora Harbor rebuild. Since then, Docks & Harbors has been applying for ADOT Harbor Matching Grant funds (see paragraph below). We are hopeful that we will exceed 3% of the total monies available, awarded in 2017. The projected 1% Sales Tax revenues for FY23-FY27 could make \$60M of projects available. The process to build the 1% Sales Tax slate of potential projects requires Assembly approval most likely at the July 11th, 2022 meeting.

In preparation for the Assembly call for nominations, the Docks & Harbors Board has been deliberating on potential Harbor Enterprise projects, including the following:

- Aurora Harbor (future phase)
- Wayside Park (DIPAC) Fishing Float Dredging
- Douglas Harbor Uplands/Parking Lot
- North Douglas Launch Ramp Expansion
- Matching USACE funding for Statter Breakwater Replacement (evaluation)
- Taku Harbors Repairs
- Aurora Harbor Office Replacement

The Docks & Harbors Finance Sub-Committee will meet on Wednesday, May 11th at 5 pm to review the Board's prioritization.

ADOT Harbor Grant - Docks & Harbors will always leverage limited local funds with other available funds to accomplish community goals. As mentioned above, the Harbors Enterprise has \$1.5M from the 2017 1% Sales Tax Initiative and is applying for a ADOT Harbor grant. If successful, we will have \$4M to execute Phase III of the Aurora Harbor Rebuild project. As of April 29th, the Legislature has sufficient money in the FY23 State of Alaska Capital Budget for Juneau to receive this requested grant money. The last step in the process will be for Governor Dunleavy to sign the FY23 Capital Budget.

Maritime Festival:

Docks & Harbors, in partnership with JEDC, will be sponsoring the 2022 Maritime Festival on May 7th from 11 am to 5 pm in Peratrovich Plaza. The festival will feature live music, beer tasting garden, local small business vendors, a Coast Guard helicopter demonstration, and tug-of-war competition.

DOCKS & HARBORS BOARD MEETING TIMES:

In April, the Docks & Harbors Board discussed starting Board and Committee meetings other than 5 pm. The goal is to ascertain whether later start times could encourage greater public participation. For the foreseeable future, with few exceptions, Docks & Harbors regular Board and Committee meetings will be at 5 pm in City Hall Room 224. The public is invited to attend all meetings in person; additionally, Docks & Harbors will provide Zoom or teleconference opportunities for citizens to participate virtually.

Staffing Needs - The Docks Enterprise is off to a strong start regarding providing world class services to the visitors and cruise vessels arriving Juneau. We continue to seek additional employees to join our seasonal team. The job openings can be flexible to meet the applicant's lifestyle with pay starting at \$20.12. These job opportunities can be found at <https://juneau.org/human-resources/employment-opportunities>

Office Hours:

Port Office

907-586-0292

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm

Port/Field Office

907-586-5720

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm

Aurora Harbor

907-586-5255

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm

Statter Harbor

907-789-0819

Monday - Friday
8:00am - 4:30pm

All Offices

Closed 12-1 for
lunch

Statter Harbor "D Float" Repairs:

Statter Harbor "D Float"

Repairs: Duwamish Services of Seattle has mobilized and is affecting repairs to the damaged floats. The floats were damaged during a Thanksgiving storm. The scope of work entails replacing crushed concrete floats and installation of approximately 2,120 feet of tensioned cables keeping the float system secured and aligned. The work is anticipated to be completed by May 5th. Pictures taken by Matthew Sill



D&H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at juneauharbors.com faster and easier! Please send an email to harbormaster@juneau.org to request electronic statements.

Infrastructure Week Events: Docks & Harbors has always been a strong supporter of the National Infrastructure Week which will be recognized from May 16-20th. Docks & Harbors is planning an event at 11 am on Friday, May 20th at the Alaska Steamship Dock. Our staff will discuss projects completed over the past year and our vision for future infrastructure needs along our Juneau waterfront. The entire community is invited to attend.

Launch Ramp Permits: Are enforced on a calendar year basis. Please purchase your 2022 launch ramp permit before heading out with your vessel. It's simple to do so online at: www.juneauharbors.com

Help stop theft in our Harbors! If you see something, say something. Call suspicious activity to JPD Non-Emergency Line at 907-586-0600 and report to the Harbor Office at 907-586-5255.